

HOUSE RESOLUTION No.

Introduced by: Day, Bosma

A RESOLUTION honoring the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc.

Whereas, The Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. was founded in February 1851 as the Indianapolis Widows and Orphans Friends' Society;

Whereas, Over the course of its 150 year history, the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. has provided a safe haven for children who have lost their parents or whose parents were unable to care for them;

Whereas, Throughout the years, the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. has redefined its role in the community based on the changing needs of the community;

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Whereas, Foster care and adoptive services continued to be a mainstay while group homes and transitional living experiences were later added to the services offered by the agency;

Whereas, Home-based family preservation counseling, crisis shelter, and residential care also began to play a larger part of the agency's role in the community as the reported number of abused and neglected children increased;

Whereas, The mission of the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. is to support and assist children and families who are at risk, and its vision is to develop a healthy family for every child;

Whereas, The Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. continues to be a leader with cutting-edge programs, including a family preservation program for children of women who are in prison, a children's advocacy program, and one of the first guaranteed-results programs in the nation; and

Whereas, As the needs of our community continue to grow, so will the Children's Bureau's commitment to making dreams come true for children and families: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to congratulate the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc. on its work on behalf of our children, especially those from troubled families.

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5 6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the Children's Bureau of Indianapolis, Inc.

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